

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 16, fifth paragraph:

A¹ | An essentially circular cylindrical bore 24 in the tubular member 23 is partially closed by an ear wax retaining barrier 25 at the end that is inserted into the acoustic outlet canal 24. The barrier 25 may constitute a screen with loops and radial threads 26 as shown in Fig. 10.

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A² | Alternatively, the shell 1 may be formed starting with the end 96 opposing the face plate 2 as illustrated in Fig. 35. The integrated face plate 2 is terminated with an opening 98108 having a circumference matching the circumference 94 of the separately produced part 92 of the face plate 2, the part 92 is positioned and fitted in the opening 98108 for attachment to the integrated face plate 2. As illustrated, the integrated face plate 2 may be tapered so that a light beam propagating vertically towards the integrated face plate 2 may impinge on every point on the circumference of the integrated face plate 2.